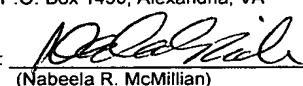


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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. 1.121) dated December 23, 2005 and a Notice of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. and 37 C.F.R. 1.495 dated December 6, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification: THERE ARE NO AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. [NOTE: the amendments listed herein are the same as those entered on December 13, 2004 except that the claims now have claim identifiers associated therewith.]

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.